

offer of employment are eligible for a maximum loan of Rs. 10,000/- at a minimum interest rate of 18.5% per annum with quarterly rests, repayable within a period of 12 months by remittances from abroad. Such loans are in the nature of clean overdraft with collateral security of properties and/or personal guarantee by two persons to cover twice the loan amount.

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New corporate Plans of STC and MMTC

6006. SHRIMATI BASAVARAJESWARI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Trading Corporation and the Minerals and Metals Trading Corporation have been asked to draw up new corporate plans for 1991-92 in the light of the recent trade reform measures;

(b) if so, to what extent the MMTC and STC have formulated their new corporate plans;

(c) whether the Government have considered these plans; and

(d) the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a). Yes, Sir

(b) STC and MMTC have formulated new Corporate Plans.

(c) and (d) The Corporate Plans of STC and MMTC have been finalised and both the Corporations have been asked to implement the same with immediate effect.

Textile & Mill Nader
Setting up of Knitwear Export Project near Tirupur

6007. SHRIMATI BASAVARAJESWARI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up a knitwear export project near Tirupur;

(b) if so, the details and the total estimated cost thereof; and

(c) the extent to which it will be helpful in the development of the garments industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) to (e). Government has not set any knitwear export project near Tirupur.

However, the Tirupur Exporters Association has promoted an Industrial Complex consisting of 150 sheds at Mudalipaleym near Tirupur under the name of Tirupur Exporters Knitwear Industrial Complex. It is expected that this Industrial Complex would further increase export of knitwear from Tirupur area.

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Project and Equipment Corporation of India Limited

6008. SHRI ANADI CHARAN DAS: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total strength of employees in the Project and Equipment Corporation of India Limited (PEC) in various Categories as on April 1, 1989 and July 31, 1991 and the number of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes amongst them;

(b) the total backlog of reserved posts of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes as on aforesaid dates and the reasons for such backlog;

(c) the steps taken to fill up the backlog as per the instruction of the Department of Personnel;

(d) whether any posts were dereserved during this period and filled up by general candidates; and